

CLAIMS AMENDMENTS

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

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1. (Currently amended) A process for providing an intercontinental power grid distribution system using the interstate highway system for the mass distribution of energy products including petroleum, gas, electricity, gasoline, and fiber optics, comprising

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placing energy product supply lines below the ground surface of the median of an interstate highway, ~~and the right-of-way immediately adjacent~~ the interstate highway selected from the group consisting of interstate highways of the United States extending generally in an east-west direction and interstate highways of the United States extending generally in a north-south direction, the product supply lines extending longitudinally of the interstate highway median and extending throughout a major portion of the length of the interstate highway, the energy product supply lines supplying energy products selected from the group consisting of petroleum, gas, gasoline, fiber optics and electricity,

connecting each supply line to a source of an energy product,

connecting each supply line to an outlet line extending at an angle below the ground such for supplying distributors and end users with an energy product.

2. (Original) The process as defined in Claim 1 wherein the energy product is petroleum, providing pumping stations for each petroleum supply line and interconnecting each petroleum supply line to a pumping station for maintaining the pressure in the petroleum supply line.

3. (New) The process as defined in Claim 1 wherein the energy product is electricity.

4. (New) A process for providing an intercontinental power grid system using the interstate highway system for the mass distribution of energy products including petroleum, gas, electricity, gasoline and fiber optics, comprising

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placing energy product supply lines below the surface of the ground of the right-of-ways immediately adjacent the interstate highway, the interstate highway selected from the group consisting of interstate highways of the United States extending generally in an east-west direction and interstate highways of the United States extending generally in a north-south direction, the product supply lines extending longitudinally of the right-of-ways of the interstate highways and extending throughout a major portion of the length of the interstate highway,

connecting each supply line to a source of an energy product,
connecting each supply line to an outlet line located below the ground and at an angle relative to a supply line.

5. (New) The process as defined in Claim 4 wherein the energy product is petroleum, providing pumping stations for each petroleum supply line and interconnecting each petroleum supply line to a pumping station for maintaining the pressure in the petroleum supply line.

6. (New) The process as defined in Claim 4 wherein the energy product is electricity.
